

## **CRIME SCENE TECHNICIAN II**

### **DEFINITION**

Under supervision, processes crime scenes, takes photographs and collects and preserves evidence used in the identification and prosecution of criminals.

### **SUPERVISION RECEIVED/EXERCISED**

Receives supervision from a Supervising Crime Scene Technician, Manager or designee. Exercises no supervision.

### **DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS**

Crime Scene Technician II is the journey level class in the Crime Scene Technician series. Incumbents collect and preserve evidence in the field and at headquarters used in the prosecution of criminals, identify persons through fingerprints, and prepare and process criminal identification records. This class is distinguished from Crime Scene Technician I in that the latter is the entry level class in which incumbents perform job duties under close supervision. This class is distinguished from Senior Crime Scene Technician in that the latter is the advanced working/lead level class. Incumbents may be assigned to any shift including nights, weekends, and holidays.

### **EXAMPLES OF IMPORTANT AND ESSENTIAL DUTIES**

*(May include, but are not limited to the following :)*

Operates photographic equipment; conducts crime scene investigations; collects and preserves evidence; makes crime scene sketches and scale drawings for court presentations.

Testifies in court as an expert witness regarding evidence.

Performs various crime lab procedures such as chemical development of latent prints, collecting gunshot residue used for analysis, narcotic presumptive testing, serial number restoration, collection of DNA samples and DNA buccal swabs, diagramming crime scenes and trace evidence fluorescence testing.

Performs routine clerical work including typing, filing and record keeping; prepares police reports.

Performs complex comparisons of latent prints to known prints of identified individuals.

May operate an automated fingerprint identification system including preparation of latent prints for entry into the system, retrieval and comparison.

May operate ballistic imaging systems.

May process prisoners for identification or evidentiary purposes.

May assist in the orientation and training of entry level employees and other department personnel.  
Performs related duties as required.

### **JOB RELATED AND ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS**

#### **Knowledge of:**

Latent print comparison methods, practices, records and equipment utilized to record and document.

Modern methods, practices and techniques of police work involving criminal evidence investigation.

Principles and techniques of evidence photography.

#### **Skill/Ability to:**

Develop and Lift latent fingerprints and compare them to known individuals.

Safely handle firearms and narcotics.

Obtain evidence, including but not limited to, fingerprints or fingernail scrapings from crime scenes and/or autopsies.

Work in a variety of weather conditions with exposure to the elements for extended periods of time.

Work effectively in high stress and challenging environments involving various degrees of human trauma.

Fingerprint and photograph deceased subjects in various states of decomposition.

Establish and maintain effective working relationships.

Communicate effectively, verbally and in writing.

Testify in court as an expert witness.

Maintain detailed criminal records and to prepare reports.

Take clear and properly exposed scene photographs.

Perform duties in helicopters, aircraft, elevated platforms, ladders and roofs.

Operate a motor vehicle safely.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

**Experience:**

One (1) year of experience equivalent to that gained as a Crime Scene Technician I with the City of Fresno.

**Special Requirement:**

Possess and maintain a valid California Driver's License during the entire term of employment in this class.

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